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authorities of the security agencies of the Islamic Republic – prosecuted, and no

governmental agency heeded the complaints of the family of those thus exterminated.

The criminal scheme of Baha'i-killing, of which the Hojratieh Society was the standard-bearer and promulgator before the [1979] revolution – a scheme whose carriers came to power with the emergence of the Islamic Republic – is at

its foundation a felonious thought intended towards religious cleansing through the murder of all Baha'is. If there had been no barriers to this planned genocide,

such as international laws or global reaction, then no doubt by now the leaders of the Islamic Republic would have fully implemented their atrocious scheme.

At different periods during the past 30 years, we have witnessed the mobilization of certain pressure groups associated with the [Islamic] regime for

the implementation of this plan. We must, however, remind the leaders of the Islamic Republic that their plan is indeed the same fascist scheme which has led

to racial and religious genocides, for which some instigators have been tried in

international courts on the charge of “crimes against humanity.”

The policy of the leaders of Islamic Republic towards suppression of religious minorities in general, and of Baha'is in particular, has always been to

advance their intentions [for genocide] through agents and officers of the Security and Basij agencies, so that they can claim that their crimes had been committed by people [not by the government] and had come about as a result of public religious biases.

However, during these three decades:

- Never has anyone been brought up on charges of murder, persecution or threat against the Baha'is.
- Never have the leaders of the Islamic Republic condemned these crimes.
- Unceasingly, the policy of discrimination and suppression of Baha'is has been followed.
- Great threats have been instantly leveled against every lawyer and human rights organization which has spoken in defense of the civil rights of Baha'is.

Because of the intense sensitivity of this regime towards the Baha'is in Iran, when it comes to defending the civil rights of Baha'is, human rights activists and organizations have either remained silent or have not engaged the issue to any notable measure. In truth, the intensity of the government's discrimination against the Baha'is has been to such an extent that human rights

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